

CAÑON CITY SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Growth and Development education at Canon City High School in the CHOICES course. Cañon City Schools has worked diligently to align each lesson with the Colorado Comprehensive Health Standards. We feel that this curriculum is an important part of your child's normal and healthy growth, and encourage you to discuss the program with him/her to answer his/her questions.

9th Grade Topics include::

- Personal Safety, Healthy Relationships, & Decision Making
- Puberty
- Human Reproduction of Childbirth
- Abstinence, Contraception, & Pregnancy Prevention
- HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)

Cañon City Schools acknowledges that parents/guardians are the primary sexuality educators for their child/children and we are committed to partnering with you to provide supplementary resources to support you in this role. Parents/guardians have the option of exempting their child from any portion of Growth and Development instruction if it is in conflict with conscience, moral, or religious beliefs. If this is the case with your child, please fill out this portion of the page, tear it off, and send it back to school with your student. Students who are excused will be assigned an alternative learning opportunity during the applicable time.

Adam Hartman

Superintendent of Schools, Cañon City Schools

----Only return the bottom portion if you are electing to OptOut your student ----

Please complete this section only if you would like your child *opted-out* of any or all of the Growth and Development lessons being taught. The form needs to be returned to the CHOICES teacher for your child to be opted-out.

You DO NOT need to return anything if you are comfortable with your child receiving the entire Growth and Development program.

- **I** do not want my child to receive the Growth and Development curriculum this school year.
- □ I do not want my child to receive the following lessons (check all that apply):
 - Personal Safety, Healthy Relationships, & Decision Making
 - Dev Puberty
 - Human Reproduction of Childbirth
 - Abstinence, Contraception, & Pregnancy Prevention
 - HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)